

AFRICAN AMERICAN HERITAGE COMMISSION
OF ASHEVILLE AND BUNCOMBE COUNTY
March 10, 2016 – 11:30 AM
CITY HALL, FIRST FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
70 COURT PLAZA

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AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

1. APPROVAL OF JANUARY & FEBRUARY MINUTES
2. NEW BUSINESS:
 1. We would like to create an outline the process for creating a heritage monument downtown, and set up a timeline.
 2. Dewayne Barton would like the support of the Commission for the framing of a Boy Scout flag from the first African American Boy Scout troop that was started at the Livingston School in Asheville that has been donated for display at the Edington Center.
 3. Green Opportunities has offered to work with the Heritage Commission to design and build smaller monuments to honor the history of various neighborhoods. Shiloh already has a heritage trail project in the works, and East End/Valley Street is interested in a marker.
 4. The Goombay Festival has offered to provide support and capacity building to small community/neighborhood events, as well as looking for input on how to incorporate the neighborhoods and local African American history at the festival. LEAF has offered to add additional capacity to community events via the ULEAF stage and the Easel Rider. These events will be an opportunity for the Heritage Commission to raise awareness and interest.
3. UPCOMING EVENTS

NEXT MEETING: April 14, 2015. 11:30 AM. City Hall, First Floor Conference Room, 70 Court Plaza

ADJOURNMENT

For more information on the African American Heritage Commission please contact Roderick Simmons at RSimmons@ashevillenc.gov or 259-5808.